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STREET RE-NAMING PROGRAM STARTS

First Hearing on Jan. 19th.

New names are to be assigned to over 200 streets, actual and planned (the so-called 'paper' streets) in a series of public hearings, which the Wilmington Planning Board has called, starting on January 19th., in the High School cafeteria.

Wilmington, plagued with as many as nine streets beginning 'Pine', and many similar instances, first began to plan for new names for many of these streets under the Managership of TM Dean C. Cushing. The program is now being carried to a successful fruition, five years later, during which the Planning Board, and other boards have held many consultations, in order to avoid the duplication of names, and arrive at satisfactory substitutes for present names.

Two hearings will be held simultaneously, in the cafeteria, by the Planning Board, on the 19th., and presumably on succeeding hearing nights. One of the hearings will be on one side of the room, and the other on the other side. A member of the Planning Board or some assistant is to be stationed near the entrance to guide people to the hearing that interests them.

Chairman of the Sub-Committee which has done the work of making the proposals is Daniel Gillis, of Swain Road, West.

Mr. Gillis finds himself in the same situation as many other Wilmington residents, in that the name of his own street is to be among those to be changed - to Sector St.

B&M PROTEST COMMITTEE TO MEET IN WILMINGTON SATURDAY
Selectmen, Town Councils, and City Councils and other officials who met in the Wilmington High School Monday night to discuss the proposed cuts of the Boston & Maine Railroad agreed to meet again in Wilmington Town Hall, on Saturday morning, to plan a course of concerted action.

Acting on a motion of Selectman Harvey Fairbanks, of Sudbury the group in effect resolved itself into a committee to plan concerted action.

About two hours were spent in discussing the collective grievance of the towns and cities represented.

Town Manager Fred Calabrese and the Wilmington Railroad Committee presided. In the committee are Paul Duggan of Harvard Avenue, John Brooks of Salem Street, Paul Niles of Middlesex Avenue, Edward Shelley of Atlantic Avenue and John MacGahan of Columbia St.

Among those who spoke were State Senator William Madden of Lexington, Representative Frank Tanner of Reading and Representative Tom Donohue of Woburn.

Tanner excited quite a bit of interest when he told the audience that a report by a Legislative committee, submitted on Dec. 30th had a quite con-



A FINE HOME
One of the finer homes built in Wilmington last year was that of Walter Keough, of Oakridge Circle, built by Keough himself. The Town Crier, last week intended to show a picture of the house, but another was shown by mistake.

Above is the picture of the home, and of the builder.

clusive report on the B&M. He had to leave early, but afterwards a number of persons were enquiring as to the possibility of getting a copy of the report, and these persons were told by Rep. Donohue that they could not be had until after they were printed, adding further that not many copies were printed anyway.

John Brooks, speaking for the Wilmington Railroad Committee castigated the Boston & Maine, for its proposals, and stated that perhaps Massachusetts should take action like that taken in New Hampshire.

TM Calabrese told the group that 'it looks like the B&M does not want railroad passengers'. He pointed out that the last appearance before the DPU resulted in the cut of 110 trains, and that this proposal meant another 78.

Several speakers vented their opinions on the Department of Public Utilities, saying that they always hold public hearings when the workmen can not get to them, and demanding that they hold such hearings on Saturday mornings.

Atty Robert A. Shea, of Somerville brought this point to the attention of the audience and also stated that 'the railroad makes no effort to get passengers. Shea told the committee 'not to be afraid of McGinnis. Go right in and put your feet on his desk!'

John Brooks dryly remarked that he could think of other places to put his feet, which remark momentarily changed the

meeting into something resembling vaudeville.

Sixteen towns were represented.

Selectmen were present from Reading, Chelmsford, Tyngsboro and Sudbury, with Wakefield, Andover, North Andover and Reading being recorded as against the B&M proposals by letter.

Town Councils and City Solicitors (or assistants) were present from Boxborough, Stoughton, Tyngsboro, Tewksbury, and Boston. The Mayor's Secretary was present from Woburn.

In addition to interested residents of Wilmington there were people with no official capacity from Lowell, Reading, North Reading and Boston.

Other official capacities included a representative of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks in Lowell, and several representatives of the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce.

\$61,000 HAS BEEN RAISED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ST. DOROTHY'S CHURCH

Father Joseph W. Leahy, Pastor of St. Dorothy's Church announced Sunday, to the parish that a total of \$61,000 has been raised, by people in the parish, for the construction of the new church, at Harnden and Main Streets. Construction of the new edifice, which is expected to cost about \$250,000 will start in the spring.

The money, raised by whist and other parties, and contributions, amounts to about 25% of the total cost.

HEAVY FROST AT SELECTMEN'S MEETING

The heavy frost, estimated by Nick De Felice to be three and one half feet thick in places, dominated at least a part of the Selectmen's meeting, Monday night.

Selectman Hagerty, during the meeting, wanted to know why Woburn Street, from Brentwood Avenue to Ennes Street was in

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ANTI-TOWN MANAGERITES GET IN FIRST BLOWS

Anti-Town Manager adherents have struck the first blows, in the coming balloting over the Town Manager plan, in Wilmington.

Fred F. Cain, prominent auto dealer, on December 30th at 4:07 pm according to the time clock stamp of the Town Clerk, filed 72 sheets of a petition to have the question of whether or not the Government of Wilmington should be a Town Manager one, on the ballot for the March election.

The petition was examined by the Selectmen last Monday evening, with some curiosity. It was noted, for instance, that in some cases apparently the same person had signed several names. One Selectmen reported that he had heard that telephone solicitors had asked, for the right to sign people's names to the petition.

A slight discussion as to whether or not this was legal was side-tracked by the observation that there were undoubtedly enough legal signatures.

10% of the town must petition for a vote, in instances where a vote on Town Managership is asked.

A second petition submitted the Harwood Realty Trust and Pasquale Luongo, who described themselves as owners of the property at 306 Main Street, petitioned for a change in Zoning, to Business Zoning.

The property, at the corner of Main and Clark, has been used for business purposes for several weeks. It is zoned for Residential Zoning.

Selectman Francis Hagerty observed that the previous owners, Grillo by name, had asked the Board of Appeals for a variance and had been turned down. He further noted that this would have to go before the Planning Board, before the Town Meeting.

'I move we make it \$100 a month' Charles Black joked. The conversation shifted to the effect that gravel trucks

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SELECTMAN FRANK HAGERTY A CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION

Selectman Francis J. Hagerty of Hathaway Road has announced that he will be a candidate for re-election to the Board of Selectmen, in the coming March Town Meeting.

Mr. Hagerty has been a resident of Wilmington since 1952 coming here with the J. W. Greer Company, for whom he is Production Engineer. He is a graduate of Quincy High School and studied accounting for four years, nights, in the Bentley School of Accounting, and also studied in Northeastern University, nights, for 5 years.

He was first appointed to the Board of Health, by past Town Manager Dean C. Cushing, in 1953, taking the place of John O'Neil, resigned.

Hagerty was elected to the Board of Selectmen in 1956, and has pursued an independent course, since being elected.

He was made Chairman of the Board in 1958.

He and his wife Doris have two children. He is a member of the Town Democratic Committee, the Knights of Columbus, the Saint Thomas Holy Name Society, the Wilmington Lions Club, a Director of Camp 40 Acres, a member of the Middlesex County Selectmen's Association, and president of the J. W. Greer Employee's Credit Union.

UNIT PACKING ANNOUNCES CONSTRUCTION OF THIRD BUILDING

The Unit Packing Company, 10 Burlington Avenue, has announced that it will soon start the construction of a third building, in the lot adjacent to their present site.

To cost about \$30,000, the building is expected to house the printing operations of the company, now carried on in a part of the present structure.

The company manufactures small packages of condiments (sugar - salt - etc) for use in restaurants, airplanes, etc and prints their own package wrappings.

The new building will be similar in nature to the present structures, one story, many windowed, of cement block construction, with a brick facing

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THE LIES ARE HERE

When this column predicted last week that
all manner of lies would be told to discredit
the Town Manager plan it had no idea that the
lies were already being told.

But they were — and here are three of them.

One

The Board of Appeals, the Termite's minions
are telling the people, should be elected, and
not appointed by the Town Manager.

The Board of Selectmen always appoints the
Board of Appeals. It always has, and always
will, not only in Wilmington but in every other
town of the Commonwealth.

Two

The Building Inspector, the Termite's min-
ions are saying, is just a "political" appoint-
ee, who knows nothing about buildings.

The Building Inspector is Minot Anderson.
Mr. Anderson is a Civil Engineer who spent many
years (30-40) in the construction business. He
was appointed Building Inspector for just this
reason — with the concurrence of the Board of
Selectmen.

Let us further point out that he is a Man of
Honor. He served for several years in the Fi-
nance Committee. There came a day when he dis-
agreed with the other members, and decided to
oppose the idea, in Town Meeting.

As a man of honor he resigned from the Fi-
nance Committee, so that he could argue his
point without prejudice to himself or the com-
mittee.

Three

The third lie is a beaut. It is the kind we
wish we could have told. We're jealous of the
Termite, for thinking it up, (and it must have
come directly from him).

This lie says that Selectman Charles H.
Black is a part owner of the Town Crier.

It is an interesting lie, from many viewpoints,
one of which is, of course, obvious.

Another thing that makes it interesting is
that this puts Charles Black on both sides of
the fence, if we would believe the liars.

Mr. Black, only a few years ago, was the ob-
ject of scorn of the "Moslems" because he was
not 101 percent pro-Town-Manager. Now he is the

SUSIE'S

SONNETS



NEW YEAR'S DISILLUSIONS

My resolutions I've been listing:

A score of faults I'll be resisting.

Give me no credit; I fear nary

Will see the dawn of February.

object of an attack by the Termites, because he
is not 101 percent Anti-Town Manager.

We would be happy to have a man of the cali-
ber of Mr. Black associated with this paper.
Unfortunately, such is not the case, but if the
Termite, or his minions can influence a vote by
the telling of a lie they will do so, even to
the point of wishing Mr. Black into an affilia-
tion with our poor newspaper.

B&M CONFIRMS THAT THEY PLAN TO DO AWAY WITH NORTH WILMINGTON RR

Foster R. Spofford, Chief
Engineer of the Boston & Maine
Railroad, in a public hearing
in Reading, on Dec 29th con-
firmed the popular opinion,
before reported in this paper
that the Boston & Maine Rail-
road plans to do away with the
Section of track of the Port-
land Branch, running between
Reading and Wilmington Junc-
tion, and thus cut off North
Wilmington from any kind of
railroad transportation.

Spofford told the audience of
well over 100 persons, inclu-
ding Representatives Frank
Tanner and Tom Donohue that
the railroad planned to do a-
way with one track, at first,
continuing to use the other
for a while, because of the
hauling of heavy equipment
from the Lynn GE to the North
Wilmington Junction.

The second track would be re-
moved he said, within a short
time.

The move was necessary, Spof-
ford said, because of the
heavy expense of maintaining
grade crossings, in addition
to the expense of maintaining
the double track.

Spofford described the Port-
land Branch, which runs from
Boston to Portland Maine, as a
serious problem as it is a
mixture of short and long pas-
senger service, as well as a
freight line. The line would
be discontinued at Ash Street,
he said, in Reading (i.e. where the B&M crosses the pre-
sent Route 28), and a railroad
station, small, would be e-
rected somewhere south of the
crossing.

Rep. Tanner asked Spofford if
Reading were to be a 'Guinea
Pig' for passenger traffic, in
the same manner that Wilming-
ton was a 'Guinea Pig' on the
Shawheen Avenue Bridge.

Spofford laughed at this, and
assured his listeners that
such was not the case.

Selectman Don Kidder brought
news about the dog pound to
the Selectmen and Town Ma-
nager, while they were attend-
ing the Boston & Maine Meeting
in the High School. Within 30
minutes of the news the dogs
had been transferred to Woburn.

The dogs were being temporar-
ily housed in an old barn on
the Spinazola property, in
South Wilmington, near the
site of the Town Dump.

Previous to January 1 the dog
pound had been in North Wil-
mington, on the Canalas pro-
perty, then the site of the
Town Dump. Canalas informed
the town, the week before
Christmas that he would need
the building which was being
used for a dog pound for other
purposes after January first.

Town manager Calabrese told
the Selectmen, Monday night,
in their regular meeting that
he had told the Dog Officer to
find other quarters, that the
Spinazola property had been
proposed, but that he had not
approved unless there were im-
provements made.

He had also made arrangements
with the City of Woburn dog
pound to use that place, in
case the improvements were not
completed.

The Town Manager told the Sel-
ectmen that I issued orders
that the place was to be in-
spected by the Dog Officer,
that part of it was to be sec-
tioned off for the dogs, and
that there must be a space
heater. It was my understand-
ing that it was going to be
done. Why it wasn't I do not
know, but I am going to find
out — and if there are any
charges of Criminal Negligence
to be placed —

An official of the Massachu-
setts SPCA told Calabrese Tues-
day that a complaint had been
lodged with that organization.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION FOR

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
The Massachusetts Board of
Civil Service has announced
that there will be an examina-
tion for Plumbing Inspector of
Wilmington, on Feb. 7, 1959.
The last date for filing ap-
plications is January 19, 1959.

COLD DOG KENNEL BRINGS COMPLAINT AND CHANGE

Four or five dogs were hasti-
ly removed from a near-zero
temporary dog pound, Monday
night, and sent to a dog pound
in Woburn.

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TOWN NOTES

Weather

We had nearly an inch of
rainfall to start off the year
being .95 inches on Jan 1 and
2nd, which amounted to about
three inches of snow, all of
which was soon washed away.

The rain smoothed out, to a
large degree, the rough ice
on Silver Lake, and our var-
ious ponds, so that skating
was much better by the weekend.

Once upon a time, incidently,
we counted out 36 different
places in Wilmington where the
kiddoes could skate. All of
them must have been busy Sat-
urday — we never saw so many
people on skates.

The Wind

Wilmington, like the rest of
New England, suffered from a
cold northerly wind Monday and
Tuesday.

Monday morning the trains
were late. We counted, for in-
stance, 38 faithful passengers
of the B&M, in North Wilming-
ton, who waited for the quar-
ter of eight until 8:17am, and
this was typical of other
trains on the first day of the
cold snap.

All day long the wind blew
out of the north, and the only
thing that exceeded the wind
in vigor was the blast of
warnings over the radio of
'below 10 degrees below, to-
night'

But the temperature dropped
only to the zero mark, and
Tuesday morning the trains
were able to run on time again

Tannenbaum

The lights were taken down
from the Christmas Tree, on the
Common, Tuesday afternoon. It
was a fine tree, and, just to
keep up a record of years stand-
ing we must record that it was
again given to the town by Herb
Barrows.

Flattery

The publisher of this paper
was somewhat flattered, last
week, to read in the Woburn
Times an account of himself
which described him, more or
less, as being Wilmington's
official historian. It was a
very effusive account, written
by Michael J. Curran, the City
Editor of the Times.

Mr. Curran was talking about
the story we have been plan-
ning, for some years, on Mrs.
Dr. Henry Miller, Wilmington's
famous 'Casket Woman', and
which began with last week's
issue.

The story, however, possibly
may not come up to Mr Curran's
expectations, at least we do
not believe that we are as
good as Mr. Curran would have
his readers believe.

And, to add the last point,
the name of this publisher, Mr
Curran, is Larz Neilson, not
Larz Anderson.

(But we answer to anything
that ends in 'son' be it Olson
Swenson or Johnson)

Winter

Winter is decidedly on its
way, according to Elmer Eaton
and Leslie Durkee, of the Wil-
mington Water Department. They
spotted a flock of about 100
Canadian Geese, headed for
warmer climes, on Jan. 2nd, —
a sure sign, according to the
Soothsayers of the Water De-
partment that Cold Weather is
on its way.

Saving Money

Everyone likes to save money,
of course — and the Boston &
Maine Railroad, with its pres-
ent proposals to the towns and
cities of eastern Massachu-
setts is, in effect trying to
save money, much as their com-
muters and others may oppose
the idea.

We can testify that they have
finally got around to the
point of looking over their
accounts, to see where the mo-
ney is going to.

This paper has had control,
as all the world knows, of the
North Wilmington railroad sta-
tion for something over three
years.

During this time the Boston &
Maine Railroad kept 'Red' Eat-
on, of North Wilmington on
their payroll, as janitor of
the building. Red would drop
into the station once a day,

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sweep it out, and get \$10 a week for its efforts.

But Red's gravy train ended along towards the middle of December, when someone finally spotted it. He is no longer the janitor of the North Wilmington station. He no longer gets his ten bucks a week.

Of course we are sorry for Red, who everyone will agree is one of the most personable people in Wilmington, but the story illustrates the point that the B&M is trying to save money.

Prunes

We have a Wilmington man who is of Norwegian descent, who every year makes for himself, at Christmas time, a cheering cup of Glög, which is a highly spiced (and highly alcoholic) Scandinavian delicacy. The none-alcoholic portions include raisins and prunes, we can report. The alcoholic portions can be had from any good barman's guide.

Our friend works in one of the nearby defense plants, where, of course, no one ever brings in any liquor - honor bound - and besides there are gimlet eyed guards who look for suspicious packages. He had to work, as did some of his co-workers, for a few hours Christmas eve.

There was, of course, nothing wrong in bringing a few prunes into the plant, so that's what our Norwegian friend did.

And as his co-workers found and agreed, they were prunes that were prunes. They are even ready now, to volunteer for work next Christmas.

Basketball

This paper, about two weeks ago, published the Wilmington High School Basketball schedule. We just want to report that it has finally arrived in the mail, and we presume some other papers will now be publishing it. It was mailed at 2pm on Jan 2nd, and the first game for the year (non league) was on Dec. 18th.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my deepfelt thanks for the many thoughtful acts of kindness, during my recent bereavement, and my heartfelt appreciation to the Wilmington Police and Fire Department for their assistance.

Mrs Carl R. Chapman
Aldrich Road.

CARD OF THANKS

The Directors of the Wilmington Community Fund, Inc. wish to thank the captains and solicitors for their time and hard work in our 1959 Campaign, and the merchants and individuals for their generous donations.

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LATEST WING OF HIGH SCHOOL OPENED MONDAY

Wilmington's latest addition in schools opened Monday, with no fanfare, and just a slight suspicion of the odor of fresh paint.

14 new classrooms, six of which are of double size, are now home rooms for fifth and sixth graders, who were attending double sessions in the Swain and Wildwood Schools since school opened in September.

All sixth graders, with the exception of Mrs. Liston's, in the Swain School, are now in the high school.

Bus schedules, Monday morning went off very well, in spite of the newness, but Monday afternoon there was a delay, part of which, at least, was because of an auto accident on Woburn Street which did not involve school buses, but which caused delays.

The School Building Committee and Superintendent inspected the school, Sunday morning, and agreed that the work was in first class order.

A few workmen were in the building Monday, doing odd jobs for the various contractors. Noticeable among them was Morris Modelle, of Salem

Street, Foreman for the painting Contractor. Mr. Modelle was looking for the 'high spots' to touch up with a final brush of his paintbrush.

CAFETERIA MENUS

Week of January 12

MONDAY: Baked beef with noodles, buttered green beans, cucumber chips, bread and butter, cookies, milk.

TUESDAY: Baked sausage with applesauce, mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, bulkies and butter, fruit cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Italian spaghetti with meat sauce, green salad, peanut butter sandwiches, jello, milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken croquettes with celery sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, celery sticks, bread and butter, chocolate pudding, milk.

FRIDAY: Orange juice, tuna salad rolls, potato chips, buttered whole kernel corn, blackberry cobbler, milk.

LOUIS GAGE ELECTED

PRESIDENT OF PARK ST. ASSN
Louis (Gene) Gage, of Gowing Road was elected president of the Park Street Acres Association, in its third annual meeting held on January 5th.

Other officers elected were Richard Howlett, Vice President and Recording Secretary; Richard Gustafson, Business Secretary; and John Burke, Treasurer.

George Servente was elected Secretary of the Finance Committee, and James Lawrence and Thomas Gibbs were also elected to the same committee.

HEAVY FROST

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would have on the highways when the frost began to leave the ground, and the TM was instructed to check into the accounts, to see if \$100 for each truck to be used by gravel operators had been deposited, in accordance with the Gravel Regulations.

Selectman De Felice noted that the States of Ohio and Michigan have 'Frost Laws' by which trucks have to reduce their weights in winter and early spring, by as much as one third, in order to help preserve highways, and wished that there were a similar law in Massachusetts.

He led a discussion on the possibility of spot checking loaded gravel trucks, to check on their loads for weight, but admitted it would be difficult to do.

A request from Fred A Smith to reopen his Gravel Pit #1, off Woburn Street, was tabled pending a report from the Town Engineer.

Dutch Elm

A letter from the Department of Natural Resources advised the Town that it would have to increase its allotment for fighting Dutch Elm, Gypsy Moth and other blights by the sum of \$9900.

Route 129

A letter was received from the Department of Public Works reporting that they would be unable to accede to the Selectmen's request for more snow plowing on Route 129 as there were no more funds available, but that when funds might become available the request would be considered.

Selectman Black observed that 'They at least answered the letter'

Curbstones

A letter from Atty. T. Kane, of Middlesex Avenue commented on the nice work done in front of the Methodist Church, in putting in curbstones, and reminded the board that they had voted to do the same thing in front of St. Thomas and the Baptist Church (Kane lives between the two churches). The letter also deplored the condition of Wilmington Common, saying that 'something should be done'

The comments on the curbstone were brief - after reminding themselves that they intended to do this, the Selectmen, somewhat indignantly discussed the common implications of the

letter, saying that the Town had voted that the work be done in two years - and that only \$2000 had been voted for the first year, which money had been spent to good purpose. TM Calabrese reported that in order to let the contract for the work he had had done he had to prepare 18 pages of specifications.

Hagerty: We had \$2000, and we got all that work done for \$2005.

TM: We have more funds for sidewalk work, in 1959, than in any previous year that I can remember.

Chief of Police

A letter from the Chief of Police, asking that a meeting be arranged with the Selectmen was read. It was decided that the Selectmen would meet with Mr. Lynch and other officers on Jan. 13 at 7:30 pm. Lynch was asking for three additional men, one of whom would replace former Deputy Chief Hoban. Hagerty described the meeting with the police, last year, as 'quite a meeting'

Traffic Regulations

A long letter from the Department of Public Works approved of part of the proposed amendments to the Traffic Regulations, and disapproved of other parts, especially the closing of certain streets to truck traffic because no alternate routes were spelled out.

The letter will be considered and acted upon in the next meeting of the Selectmen.

Gas Line

The Selectmen were indignant over proposed legislation which would give gas line operators (such as the Tennessee Gas Line Company, mentioned in the meeting) a considerable authority over streets and other public works which propose to cross the gas lines. Selectman De Felice was instructed to bring the proposed legislation to the attention of the Middlesex County Selectmen's Association, at its meeting on January 7th.

Warrant Closes Feb 2

The Selectmen voted to close the Warrant, for the annual Town Meeting in March, at 10pm on February 2nd. All articles intended to be considered by the town must be submitted before that time.

ANTI-TOWN-MANAGERITES

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such a poor condition. He noted that the street had been resurfaced all the way down to the Woburn line, and that from Eames Street on the surface was in good order, but that in the first section there were holes 6 inches deep. 'Dangerous' he termed it.

Hagerty was answered by the TM and by De Felice, who both explained that after the ground is frozen 'patch' does not often stay in place.

Hagerty demanded that some gravel be spread, if the holes could not be patched.

He was told that the gravel in the gravel banks was frozen '3/4 feet thick', and that it would not stay on the street.

He asked if there could be a possibility of spreading stone from the Cronin pit.

The TM said the stone would not stay, either.

Hagerty shifted to the Nichols street water main, which is complete to the railroad bridge at either end, but has not yet been bridged.

He wanted to know why it was not completed.

TM Calabrese said the ground had become frozen, before the job was completed, and that the Water Department could not work there now.

'Dynamite It!' Hagerty said. 'The dynamite we could use there will be nothing to the dynamite in the situation'

Gravel Trucks

It was noted that Vito Mercutio had applied for a license for his gravel pit, off Ballardvale Street. The Selectmen discussed the time they revoked his license, two years ago, and tabled the request, until they could get more information from the Town Engineer.

At the same time it was reported that Beyer & Mingolla,

contractors on Interstate 93, north of Salem Street were somewhat put out because they paid \$100 for a gravel license in December, and they had to

pay another \$100 to have it renewed in January.

'All gravel licenses are renewed in January' Mrs. Drew observed.

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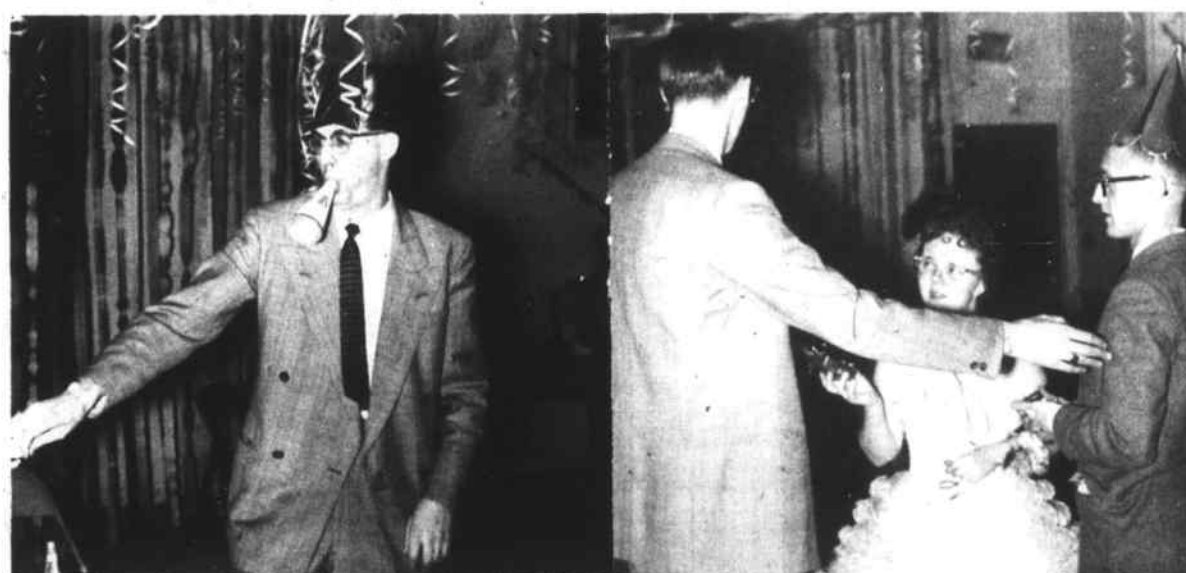
The Wilmington Methodist Church, on New Years Eve, had an Non-Alcoholic New Year's Party. An unbidden guest was the Town Crier Photographer, who took the following pictures to help show that people can have fun.



Only John Lapper was aware of his picture being taken, as the midnight hour approached. He was checking his watch, with Mrs Lapper B1
Mr and Mrs Edward Brown contented themselves with sitting and watching B5



Phil Tupper and Judy MacMelville sample the non alcoholic punch. B3
If Eva Elfman has a diet there is nothing in it which says she can't eat crab sandwiches. B4



What did you say was in that grape punch, Reverend? B7
Chosen as the best dancers were Miss Ann Fiske, and Al Kitchener. also home from college

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss. Probate Court
To all persons interested in Alice Isabell White of Wilmington in said County, minor.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that John Gouvea, Junior of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex or some other suitable person, be appointed her guardian, with custody.

If you desire to object there to you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirtieth day of January 1959, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirty-first day of December 1958.

John V. Harvey, Register.

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Masses, Sundays, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 (church & Hall) and 12. Weekdays at 7 am.

A series of Thursday night Blitz parties are to be held, starting on January 15th, with prizes galore. The altar boys' mothers are in charge of the tickets. These parties will afford a pleasant evening to the people of the parish, as well as a boost to our building fund.

At 3 pm on Friday there will be a meeting of the altar boys at the church.

7:30 pm Friday the CYO will meet, for election of officers and for making plans for the Pre-Carnival Dinner Dance.

Catechism Classes will resume at 10 am Saturday.

Next Sunday will be Communion Sunday for the men of the parish, especially the members of the Holy Name Society.

The annual Holy Name Communion Breakfast will be held in Villanova Hall, following the 8 o'clock Mass. Brother Ignatius of Keith Academy will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for boys.

We are most grateful to those who have already begun their sacrifices towards our building fund program. During this week every parishioner will be contacted and given a chance to be a 'working-sacrificing parishioner of St Thomas' during 1959.

LADIES' NIGHT IS NOW ON WEDNESDAYS.

The Ladies Night Out, a regular feature, by the Wilmington Recreation Commission, in the Wilmington High School Gym has now been changed to Wednesdays.

The supervised program includes badminton, volleyball, physical culture and dancing, and is open to any female resident of Wilmington, 18 years of age or older.

The hours are from 7 to 10pm.

WILMINGTON WOMEN'S CLUB

The January meeting of the Wilmington Women's Club will be held in the vestry of the Methodist Church on Thursday, January 15. Coffee will be served at 1 pm by Mrs. Frank Darling and her committee. The business meeting will follow at 1:30.

Mr. John Millican of the Lexington Gardens, Inc., will be the speaker. His subject will be 'House Plants and African Violets.'

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will receive articles for inclusion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1959 at the Town Hall until Feb. 2, 1959 at 10 pm. Francis J. Magerty, Chmn. Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday Jan. 15, at 8 pm on the request of Lillian McFarland of Hopkins Street to establish a Beauty Parlor in her residence at the above address.

Walter L. Hale Jr., Chmn. Board of Appeals.

PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wilmington Planning Board acting under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 74, of the General Laws, will hold a series of public hearings, on the 19th of January, 1959, in the Wilmington High School cafeteria, for the purpose of changing the names of streets which now have similar or some what identical names, to other streets, in the Town of Wilmington.

At 8 pm, Cedar Street, beginning at a point on Walnut Street, and extending south for a total distance of 300 ft. - New Name - Polk Street.

At 8:05 pm, Cedar Ave., beginning at a point on Fairfield Road, extending 300 feet to a point on Oakwood Ave., - New Name - Emerson Street.

At 8:10 pm, Cedar Street, beginning at a point on Alder St

and extending 400 feet to a point on Bay Street - New Name - Lorrain Ave.

At 8:15 pm, Carter Street, beginning at a point on Main St. and extending 300 feet to Silverhurst Avenue - New Name - Dexter Street.

At 8:20 pm, Laurel Ave., beginning at a point on Parker Street and extending 300 feet to Temple Street - New Name - Butterworth Street.

At 8:25 pm, Union Street, beginning at a point on Pond St. and extending about 300 feet to Grove Ave., - New Name - Burnap Street.

At 8:30 pm, Bond Street, beginning at a point on Grant St and extending northerly about 200 feet. - New Name - Minot Avenue.

At 8:35 pm, Birch Road, beginning at a point on Nassau Avenue, and extending about 500 feet to Grand Street, - New Name - Lecatur Street.

At 8:40 pm, Bellevue Ave., beginning at a point on Brentwood Ave., and extending about 1200 feet to Morse Ave. - New Name - Denault Drive.

At 8:45 pm, Beech Court, beginning at a point on Burt Rd. and extending southwest about 300 feet - New Name - Brimmer Road.

At 8:50 pm, Pine Street, beginning at a point on Commonwealth Ave and extending about 600 feet to a point on Washington Street. New Name - Bedford Street.

At 8:55 pm, Bartlett Street, beginning at a point on Broad Street, and extending about 400 feet to Kilby Street - New Name - King Street.

At 9:00 pm, Forest Ave., beginning at a point on Hanover Street, and extending about 600 feet to a point on Central Street - New Name - Barrows St.

At 9:05 pm, Park Ave., beginning at a point on Woodlawn Ave. and extending south for a total distance of about 500 feet - New Name - Levant Road.

At 9:10 pm, Park Road, beginning at a point on Pine Road, and extending about 600 feet to Harvard Ave. - New Name - Rollins Road.

At 9:15 pm, Park Ave., beginning at a point on Grove Ave. and extending about 550 feet to the railroad. - New Name - Gearty Street.

At 9:20 pm, Second Street., beginning at a point on Nichols Street and extending northeast for a distance of about 1200 feet - New Name - Garvin Street.

At 9:25 pm, Gardner Street, beginning at a point on Main Street, and extending about 750 feet northeasterly - New Name - Ranch Street.

At 9:30 pm, Garden Road, beginning at a point on Scigliano Street and extending southeast for a total distance of about 300 feet - New Name - Madison Road.

At 9:35 pm, Garden Court, beginning at a point on Burt Rd. and extending northwesterly for a distance of about 175 feet - New Name - Begonia St.

At 9:40 pm, Cedar Road, beginning at a point on Highland Road, and extending about 300 feet to Riverside Road. - New Name - Dakota Ave.

At 9:45 pm, Pine Court, beginning at a point on Glide St and extending southeast about 200 feet. - New Name - Bennet St.

At 9:50 pm, Elm Street, beginning on Woburn Street, and extending about 200 feet to a point on Beech Street - New Name - Scatrito Avenue.

At 9:55 pm, Phillips Ave., beginning at a point on Wild Ave and extending about 800 feet to Wisser Street - New Name - Edwinton Avenue.

At 10:00 pm, Commonwealth Ave beginning at a point on Aldrich Road and extending for a distance of about 1000 feet to Charles River Ave. - New Name - Buckingham Street.

A. Daniel Gillis, Chmn. Planning Board

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

PLANNING BOARD

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At 8:00 pm, Phelps Street, beginning at a point on Highland Street, and extending about 300 feet to Oak Street, - New Name - Newton Street.

At 8:00 pm, Elm Road, beginning at a point on Parker Street, and extending northerly about 200 feet - New Name - Quint Road.

At 8:05 pm, Federal Road, beginning at a point on Bulfinch Street, and extending about 1000 feet to Forest Street - New Name - Evans Road.

At 8:05 pm, Carter Street, beginning at a point on Forest Street, and extending northwesterly about 300 feet. - New Name - Service Street.

At 8:10 pm, Commonwealth Ave., beginning at a point on Ballardvale Street, and extending southeasterly about 1000 feet - New Name - Hastings Street.

At 8:15 pm, Fairview Street, beginning at a point on First Street and extending about 900 feet to Third Street. - New Name - Bruning Road.

At 8:20 pm, Brookline Ave., beginning at a point on Ballardvale Street, and extending southeasterly about 800 feet. - New Name - Hammond Street.

At 8:20 pm, Massachusetts Rd., beginning at a point on First Street, and extending about 400 feet to Second Street. New Name - Bradford Street.

At 8:20 pm, Maine Road, beginning at a point on Second Street, and extending about 400 feet to First Street. - New Name - Ohio Street.

At 8:25 pm, Main Street, beginning at a point on Burlington Avenue and extending about 400 feet northerly. - New Name - Bowdoin Street.

At 8:25 pm, Bond Street, beginning at a point on Naples Street, and extending southwesterly about 300 feet. - New Name - Farm Street.

At 8:30 pm, Border Avenue, beginning at a point on Heath Avenue, and extending about 2000 feet to near Old Main St. - New Name - Griffith Street.

At 8:35 pm, Beverly St., beginning at a point on Third Street, and extending about 300 feet to Fourth Street. - New Name - Boyle Street.

At 8:35 pm, Beech Street, beginning at a point on Pine St. and extending about 300 feet to Oak St. - New Name - Kelton Road.

At 8:40 pm, Beacon Street, beginning at a point on Huron Avenue, and extending about 400 feet into Andover. - New Name - Statler Street.

At 8:40 pm, Naples Street, beginning at a point on Chelsea Street and extending about 300 feet to Kiernan Ave. - New Name - Barlow Street.

At 8:45 pm, West Street, beginning at a point on Concord Street, and extending about 400 feet to Division Street. - New Name - Alva Street.

At 8:45 pm, Hillside Ave., beginning at a point on Aldrich Road, and extending about 600 feet to Miles St. - New Name - Bailey Road.

At 8:50 pm, Reading Avenue, beginning at a point on Alexander Road, and extending about 1000 feet to Commonwealth Avenue. - New Name - Admiral Road.

At 8:50 pm, Glen Street, beginning at a point on Pine Ave and extending about 500 feet to the Woburn City Line. - New Name - National Street.

At 8:55 pm, Park Square, beginning at a point on Adams Street and Sheldon Ave., and extending about 725 feet to Adams Street. - New Name - Lucknow Ave.

At 8:55 pm, Park Road, beginning at a point on Fenway Street, and extending northwesterly about 325 feet. - New Name - Canyon Street.

At 9 pm, Park Road, beginning at a point on Salem Street, and extending about 700 feet to Third Street. - New Name - Cobalt Street.

At 9 pm, Second Street, beginning at a point on Park Rd. and extending about 350 feet to Milligan Road. - New Name - Rio Ave.

At 9:05 pm, Second Street, beginning at a point on Reading Avenue, and extending northerly about 225 feet. - New Name - Conley Street.

At 9:05 pm, Mass Ave., beginning at a point on Ballardvale Street, and extending southeasterly for a distance of about 1000 feet. - New Name - Gale Road.

A. Daniel Gillis, Chmn. Planning Board.

POSTOFFICE ANNOUNCES

EXAMINATION FOR RURAL CARRIER

Postmaster Henry D. Porter has announced that an examination for Rural Mail Carrier is to be held. Applications must be submitted before January 27, 1959. Applicants must have resided in Wilmington for one year before the closing date of the examination, and must be at least 18 years old.

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FRANK TANNER AT RAILROAD MEETING
Rep. Frank Tanner speaking at the Railroad Protest Meeting, in the High School, Monday. Behind him are Paul Duggan, John Brooks and Paul Niles of the Wilmington Railroad Committee, and TM Fred Calabrese (in light suit) B9

ON THE VAUGHNPATH
Star of the Week
Jeanne Ashworth, skating!! Jeanne Ashworth brought back Wilmington's only championship from the Middle Atlantic Outdoor Speed Skating Championships held last weekend in picturesque Newburgh, New York as she wrested the Senior Women's title from defending champ Micky Finch. Jeannie coasted to easy wins in both the 220 and 440 yard races and seemed to be the victor in a nip-and-tuck 880 which the judges saw fit to award to her opponent. Naming a winner in the 880 was academic, however, since Wilmington's pride and joy had already piled up an insurmountable lead en route to the top trophy.

Nancy Weinberg was our only other medal winner when she collected two second place awards in her two races with

erstwhile opponent, Irene Foster. Nancy and Irene have been swapping championships with each meet, so next time will be Nancy's turn.

Other local skaters who took part in the fierce competition among nearly 300 entrants were Clyde McKaba, Mike Weinberg, Jeff Williamson, and Lennie Galvin. Although these boys failed to win final events, they distinguished themselves in the heats and semi-finals before being eliminated.

Connecticut Next
Meriden on Saturday and Hartford on Sunday will be the sites of the next two skating meets. Then the New England Outdoor Championships will be held either at Rotary Park or Silver Lake on January 17-18. It is hoped that many of the New York skaters who competed at Newburgh will attend Wilmington's first 'big league' meet.

WILMINGTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS
Thursday Jan. 8, 7:45 p.m. Church Cabinet meeting in Parish House.
Friday, Jan. 9, 7 p.m. Boy Scouts in the Church Vestry.
Saturday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m. Couples Club - A covered dish supper and Square Dancing.
Sunday, Jan. 11, 9:30 a.m. First Service of Worship. Kinderkirk and Church School.
11 a.m. Second Service of Worship with Choir. Kinderkirk and Church School.
5 p.m. Quaintance Club in Parish House.
6:45 p.m. Bible Club in Parish House.
7:30 p.m. Fireside Fellowship in Parish House.
Monday, Jan. 12, 8 p.m. East Branch L.B.S. in Parish House.
Tuesday, Jan. 13, 8 p.m. Finance Committee in Parish House.
Wednesday, Jan. 14, 8 p.m. Choir rehearsal under the leadership of Mr. Kenneth Kelley.
Friday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m. Boy Scouts, Church Vestry.

JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE THANKS PETER LE PORE
Peter Le Pore, Acting Vice President of the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce has been publicly thanked for his services by President of the Jaycees, Jack Holloway, for his efforts as General Chairman of the Wilmington Christmas Lighting Committee.

The Jaycees, this year, took over the work previously carried on by Mrs. Griffin of the Church Street Hardware.

Speaking of Le Pore's work, Holloway stated:

"The Jaycees ran into unexpected opposition, and it was not without difficulty that the project was completed. It had been the intentions of the Jaycees to extend the lighting over a greater area this year. This was based on two considerations, first that the amount of funds collected would closely approximate other years, and secondly that 90% of the labor would be contributed by the Jaycees.

The local chapter did contribute the manpower, but the contributions fell far short of expectations.

We however, take this opportunity to thank the merchants who did so generously contribute again this year, and to AVCO who contributed more than half of the money collected.

Peter Le Pore, of Roman Way was the driving spirit, in this work, and we take off our hat to Peter'.

LOCAL METHODIST PASTORS TO EXCHANGE PULPITS
The Rev. Richard E. Harding, pastor of the Wilmington Methodist Church and the Rev. Donald E. Hickman, pastor of the So. Tewksbury Methodist Church will exchange pulpits on Sun, January 11. This pulpit exchange is planned in relation to the 'New Church Sunday' program being sponsored by the Lynn District of the Methodist Church, The New England Conference Board of Missions and the Board of Lay Activities of the New England Conference, for the purpose of raising funds for the building of the So. Tewksbury Church.

A similar program was held nearly two years ago and the Wilmington Methodist Church was the recipient of \$20,000 in gifts from the other Methodist Churches of the conference.

The Methodist of the Lynn District will make a special offering for the So. Tewksbury Church on Sunday, January 18 or 25th. The local church in Wilmington will make their offering on January 18. Mr. Harding has stated: 'Though we still have many obligations to meet and much work to be done on our own building, what better way can we express our gratitude to fellow Methodists for their gifts of up to \$50,000, than by helping another Church be built in such a strategic area as So. Tewksbury'.

MRS GERTRUDE LARIVEE
Mrs Gertrude Louisa La Rivee, of Concord Street died on Jan. 2nd, at the age of 80. A native of England, she had been a resident of Wilmington for the past 10 years.

A solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung in St. Thomas Church at 9 am Jan. 5th, celebrated by Father Francis W. Mackin. Pallbearers were Richard Bower, Edward Hewitt Jr., Martin Begonis and Robert La Rivee. Burial was in the Pine Grove Cemetery in Lynn, where Father Mackin read the committal prayers.

The widow of the late Edward La Rivee, she had lived many years in Lawrence. Surviving are two sons, Rene J. La Rivee, Director of Wilmington's Civil Defense, Leo M. of Lawrence, and two daughters, Mrs. Alice Hewitt of Lawrence and Mrs. Rita Bower of Putnam, Conn.

The McMahon Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

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TENDER YOUNG NATIVE CHICKENS 2 1/2 to 3 lb average

FULL FLAVOR
Strawberries 2 full lb pkgs 59¢
SCOTCH MAID
French Fries 2 pkgs 29¢
FRESH GROUND ALL BEEF
Hamburg 2 lbs 89¢

NABISCO
RITZ Pkg 29¢
SUNSHINE KRISPY SALTINES 16 oz pkg 29¢

EDUCATOR
CRAX Pkg 29¢

35¢

SUNKIST
ORANGES doz 39¢
ZIPPER SKINNED
TANGERINES doz 29¢
SNO WHITE
CAULIFLOWER hd 29¢
FANCY DELICIOUS
APPLES 3 lbs 39¢
Lynden's
Turkey Fricasee Reg 39¢ can 33¢
Del Monte 211 Can
Pineapple-Grapefruit Juice 10¢
Weston's George Inn
Ass't Cookies full lb 39¢
Mueller's
Spaghetti 3 lb 49¢
Elbow Macaroni pkg 49¢

Franco American
Spaghetti
Homemaker's
Pea Beans
New Pack
Tomatoes
Empire State
Green Beans
Empire State
Wax Beans

MELLOW CRISP
SLICED
BACON 49¢ lb

8 Cans
\$1